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1. The Benzinwerk Böhlen shipped 3,400 tons of gasoline-base jet fuel in the month of August 1953, and produced 6,720 tons of aviation gasoline. It is expected that the production of jet fuel will be greatly increased because several new hydrogenation installations are being erected. Besides, various hydrogenation works and coal-refining plants in future will deliver heavy oil residues to Böhlen, for which an additional new plant will be set up.
2. From among the numerous reports about the existence of a research laboratory for atomic energy at Böhlen, it only appears to be established that small quantities of heavy water are produced there. They are not for the Soviet Union, but for institutions in the German Soviet Zone.

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